ARC 6457B EDUCATIONAL EXAMINERS BOARD[282]

Notice of Intended Action

Twenty-five interested persons, a governmental subdivision, an agency or association of 25 or more persons may demand an oral presentation hereon as provided in Iowa Code section 17A.4(1)"."

Notice is also given to the public that the Administrative Rules Review Committee may, on its own motion or on written request by any individual or group, review this proposed action under section 17A.8(6) at a regular or special meeting where the public or interested persons may be heard. Pursuant to the authority of Iowa Code section 272.2, the

Board of Educational Examiners hereby gives Notice of Intended Action to amend Chapter 14, "Issuance of Practitioner's Licenses and Endorsements," Iowa Administrative Code.

The proposed amendment to rule 282—14.104(272) strikes the part of the rule that requires applicants to pass the TOEFL test at a level established by the Board. A waiver provision is not included. The Board has adopted a uniform waiver rule.

Any interested party or persons may present their views either orally or in writing at the public hearing that will be held Wednesday, January 2, 2008, at 1 p.m. in Room 3 Southwest, Third Floor, Grimes State Office Building, East 14th Street and Grand Avenue, Des Moines, Iowa.

At the hearing, persons will be asked to give their names and addresses for the record and to confine their remarks to the subject of the proposed amendment. Persons who wish to make oral presentations at the public hearing may contact the Executive Director, Board of Educational Examiners, Grimes State Office Building, East 14th Street and Grand Avenue, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0147, or at (515)281-5849, prior to the date of the public hearing.

Any person who intends to attend the public hearing and requires special accommodations for specific needs, such as a sign language interpreter, should contact the office of the Executive Director at (515)281-5849.

Any interested person may make written comments or suggestions on the proposed amendment before 4 p.m. on Friday, January 4, 2008. Written comments and suggestions should be addressed to Marcia J. Henderson, Board Secretary, Board of Educational Examiners, at the above address, or sent by E-mail to marcia.henderson@iowa.gov, or by fax to (515)281-7669.

This amendment is intended to implement Iowa Code chapter 272.

A fiscal impact summary prepared by the Legislative Services Agency pursuant to Iowa Code § 17A.4(3) will be available at http://www.legis.state.ia.us/IAC.html or at (515) 281-5279 prior to the Administrative Rules Review Committee's review of this rule making.

The following amendment is proposed. Amend rule 282—14.104(272) as follows:

282—14.104(272) Applicants from foreign institutions.

An applicant for initial licensure whose preparation was completed

in a foreign institution must obtain a course-by-course credential evaluation report completed by one of the boardapproved credential evaluation services and then file this report with the board of educational examiners for a determination of eligibility for licensure. The applicant must demonstrate English proficiency by providing evidence of passing the TOEFL test at the level established by the board.